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5 June 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with Secretary of State,
4 June 1980 [REDACTED]

1. The Secretary opened by saying he was sorry he had missed my Presidential briefing, so I swung right into that. I went through the abbreviated version. He listened attentively. When we got to the section on Afghanistan, [REDACTED]

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2. I asked him about the PDB support. I also talked to his Executive Assistant about this. Unfortunately, I do not have any help with respect to his schedule and whether we can get any more regular time for presenting the PDB to him. He seems pleased with it in general and with the responsiveness to questions he has raised from time to time. I would, incidentally, like to see questions that he raises to get a feel for what is on his mind. [REDACTED]

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3. I didn't raise the political action memo with him, as I really doubted that he had read it or was up to speed on it. [REDACTED]

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4. I discussed [REDACTED] idea of foreign policy reassessment. He thought it was a good idea. He, in effect, encouraged me to come back with a specific plan for how to go about it. Ron Spiers was there and maybe he will help with that, too. The three of us had a considerable discussion with regard to the hazards of short-term foreign policy formulation. The Secretary has set out a program within State to develop some manageable foreign policy goals for the near term, but he

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recognizes he would like to merge those into a longer term perspective on where we are going. In short, we have no immediate answer on this one but we have planted a seed towards progress. [REDACTED]

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5. I discussed my trip [REDACTED] and got his general approval for going to [REDACTED]

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6. In the conversation on long-term goals, he lamented the fact that we really don't have a long-term policy with respect to Afghanistan or Iran. He said, for instance, that the things we have going like COCOM and grain embargo are all right but not pointed towards some effective solution. I used that opportunity to show him the statistics on the Soviet grain forecast.

I also used that as an opportunity to stress the fact that we had to be patient and have some policies that didn't have a final solution that was visible.

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7. I delivered the Intelligence Memorandum on possible trials of the hostages. [REDACTED]

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8. Ron Spiers mentioned to the Secretary that Bill Miller of the SSCI had come to see him requesting regular distribution of the INR Daily Summary. Ron was generally in favor of acceding to this request if the Secretary and I concurred. I expressed some modest reservations about it, pointing out that we had had problems in keeping sensitive, near raw intelligence off the Hill until we could do something about it. The Secretary told Spiers not to grant this to Miller but to tell Miller that Bayh would have to call him directly. I suspect if Bayh does call the Secretary will accede. [REDACTED]

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9. Make a note and just leave it in the file here that Muskie's new secretary's name is Carole Parmalee. [REDACTED]

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